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THE SHEPHERDS' VISION

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FOR

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THE WORDS TRANSLATED FROM THE GERMAN OF FRANK VAN DER STUCKEN

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THE SHEPHERDS' VISION.

CHORUS.

In a far-off Eastern country,
One quiet midnight blue,
On wintry fields the Shepherds
Were keeping vigil true.

The sheep were calmly feeding;
The staff was laid aside.
A wondrous Star, soft shining
Spread radiance far and wide.

Then to the peaceful Shepherds,
Amid the glowing light,
A vision glad and glorious
Appeared; an angel bright.

With word and gesture soothing
He quiets all their fears;
His voice, with magic sweetness,
Falls softly on their ears

SOPRANO SOLO.

Fear ye not, O earthly children,
For I tell a joyful story
Of the new life now begun.
To the poorest of all dwellings
Comes the Lord of richest glory—
Born this hour—God's only Son!

Yonder star, so gladly beaming,
Shines to lead you, by its light—
From the glowing East now streaming—
To the Saviour—born this night.

Rise, and swift, with welcome hastening,
Greet this holy Child, for He
Shall bring pardon for transgression,
Shall the world's Redeemer be.

Yonder star, so gladly beaming,
Follow, for its gracious light—
From the distant East now streaming—
Leads to Jesus—born this night.

CHORUS.

Then came the pious shepherds
To Bethlehem that night,
For there the Star of glory
Had led them by its light.

And there they found the Christ-child,
In poorest robes arrayed;
They knelt them down before Him
And adoration paid.

BASS SOLO.

O thou, my soul, with simple, fervent feeling,
Look on this picture full of blessedness
And feed upon the Saviour's holy vision,
As did the Shepherds in the Eastern
wilderness.
Then shalt thou, too, life's pain no more
remember;
The might of Faith new life to thee re-
store,
And thou shalt rise again on Hope's bright
pinions,
Victorious over Death forevermore.

CHORUS.

Sing Hallelujah to God the Lord,
Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard,
Fullest redemption for man is won,
Since He sent to the earth His Son.

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Allegretto con moto $\text{d} = 76$

Ob.

ORGAN

p

Man.

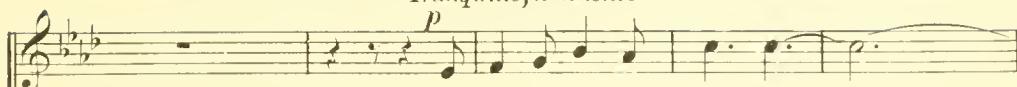
Ped. *pp*

poco cresc.

Ob.

dim.

p.

Tranquillo, non lento

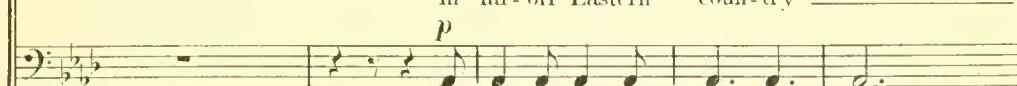
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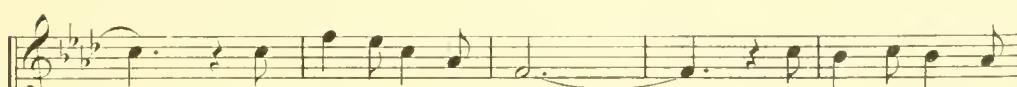
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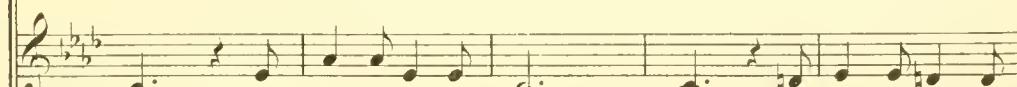
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One qui-et midnight blue _____ On win-try fields the



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shep - herds Were keep - ing vi - gil true.

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poco cresc.

— The sheep were calmly feed-ing; The crooks were laid a - side. — A

poco cresc.

— The sheep were calmly feed-ing; The crooks were laid a - side. — A

poco cresc.

— The sheep were calmly feed-ing; The crooks were laid a - side. — A

poco cresc.

— The sheep were calmly feed-ing; The crooks were laid a - side. — A

Senza Ped.

wondrous star, soft shin-ing, Spread radiance far _____ and wide. _____

wondrous star, soft shin-ing, Spread radiance far _____ and wide. _____

wondrous star, soft shin-ing, Spread radiance far _____ and wide. _____

pp

Ped.

cresc.

— Then to the peaceful shep - herds, A - mid the glowing light, — A

cresc.

— Then to the peaceful shep - herds, A - mid the glowing light, — A

— Then to the peaceful shep - herds, A - mid the glowing light, — A

— Then to the peaceful shep - herds, A - mid the glowing light, — A

cresc.

vis - ion glad and glo - rious Appeared, ___ an An - gel
 vis - ion glad and glo - rious Appeared, ___ an An - gel
 vis - ion glad and glo - rious Appeared, ___ an An - gel
 vis - ion glad and glo - rious Appeared, ___ an An - gel

bright. With
 bright. With
 bright. With
 bright. With

f. dim.
 p.

word and ges - ture soothing _____ He quiets all their fears: His

word and ges - ture soothing _____ He quiets all their fears: His

word and ges - ture soothing _____ He quiets all their fears: His

word and ges - ture soothing _____ He quiets all their fears: His

voice ____ with magic sweetness, Falls _____

voice with ma - gic sweetness, _____ Falls softly

voice ____ with ma - gic sweetness, Falls soft - ly

voice with magic sweetness, Falls soft - ly

dim.

softly on their ears.

soft - ly on their ears.

Falls soft-ly on their ears.

on their ears.

Solo: Soprano (or Tenor)

Allegro

f'

Fear ye not! _____ Fear ye not!

f

risoluto

Fear ye not, ——— ye earthly chil - dren ———

For I tell a joy - ful sto - ry Of the new Life now be-

gun. To the poorest of all dwellings Comes the Lord of rich - est

glo - - ry Born this hour God's ou - ly

f

Son.

Yon - der star so — glad - ly beam - ing

Shines to lead you by its light

From the glow - ing — East — now — streaming To the

f poco piu largo

Sav - iour The Sav - iour born this night.

f

Fear ye not! _____

a tempo

con anima

Rise, and swift, with welcome hast - ing Greet this

Senza Ped.

ho - ly Child, for He Shall bring

Ped.

par - - - don for trans - gres - sion, Shall the
 world's Re - deem - er be. He shall
 par - - - don your trans - gres - sion, Shall the
 world's Re - deem - er be.

f

Yon - der star so glad - ly beam - ing,

p

Fol - low, for its gra - cious light,

p

From the dis - tant — East now streaming leads to

p

cresc.

poco più largo

Je - sus to the Sav - - - iour

colla voce

born ——— this night.

dim.

f

dim.

Allegretto con moto

Then came the pi - ous shep - herds ——— To

Then came the pi - ous shep - herds ——— To

Then came the pi - ous shep - herds ——— To

Then came the pi - ous shep - herds ——— To

poco ritenuito p

Bethlehem that night ————— For there the Star of glo - ry —

Bethlehem that night ————— For there the Star of glo - ry —

Bethlehem that night ————— For there the Star of glo - ry —

Bethlehem that night ————— For there the Star of glo - ry —

Bethlehem that night ————— For there the Star of glo - ry —

Had led them by its light. ————— And

poco cresc.

then they found the Christ-child In meanest robes ar - rayed They knelt them down be-

poco cresc.

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poco cresc.

senza Ped.

cresc. *f* *p*

fore Him And a - do - ra - tion paid. _____ They

cresc. *f* *p*

fore Him And a - do - ra - tion paid. _____ They

cresc. *f* *p*

fore Him And a - do - ra - tion paid. _____ They

cresc. *f* *p*

fore Him And a - do - ra - tion paid. _____ They

cresc. *f* *p*

fore Him And a - do - ra - tion paid. _____ They

cresc. *f* *p*

fore Him And a - do - ra - tion paid. _____ They

Ped. *f* *p* *f* *p*

knelt them down be - fore Him ____ And a - - - do -

knelt them down be - fore Him ____ And a - - - do -

knelt them down be - fore Him ____ And a - - - do -

knelt them down be - fore Him ____ And a - - - do -

ra - - - tion paid. _____

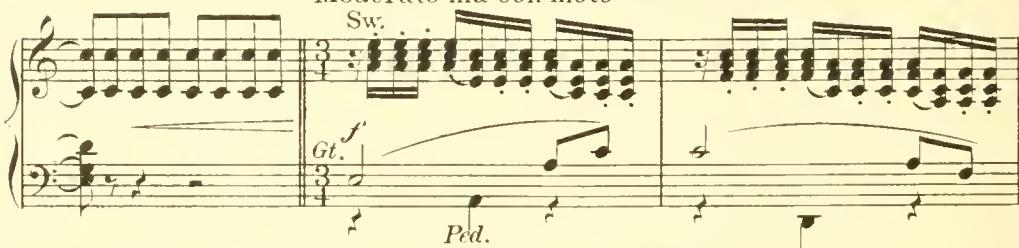
ra - - - ration paid. _____

dim. p

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Allegro.*Moderato ma con moto*

Sw.

*f Bass Solo*

Look on this picture

full of blessedness And

feed up - - on the Saviour's

hol - - - ly vis - - - ion

As did the sheep - herds in

East - - ern wild - er - ness.

Gt.

Swp.

Ped.

Then shalt thou too life's pain no more _____ re -
 mem - ber The might _____ of Faith new life to
 thee re - store And thou shalt rise again on Hope's bright
 pin - ions Vic - to - rious ov - er Death forever more Vic -

p
cresc.
cresc.
Coup. Gt. to Sw.
mf
f
mf
f

to - rious ov - er Death! Vic - to - rious

ev - er - more.

poco mosso

Allegro

Allegro molto risoluto



Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to God the Lord Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard



Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to God the Lord Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard



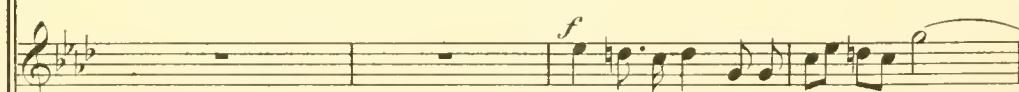
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senza Ped.



Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to God the Lord ____



Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to God the Lord, ____ Loud, Loud o'er all the



Ped.

Sing Hal - le-lu - jah to

Sing sing Halle-lu - - jah. Loud

earth His praise, His praise, His praise be heard. Loud

Sing Hal - le-lu - jah to God the Lord,

God the Lord Sing Hal - - le - lu -

o'er all the earth, Let His praise, His praise be

o'er all the earth Let His praise be

God the Lord, God the Lord, Hal - le-lu - -

jah. God the Lord -

heard God the Lord, God the Lord, Praise — Him

heard God the Lord, Praise God the —

jah Sing Hal - le-lu - jah to

Sing Hal - le-lu - jah to God the Lord Sing Hal - le-

Sing Hal - le-lu - jah to God the Lord Sing Hal - le-

Lord. Sing Hal - le -

God the Lord ——— Sing Hal - - le - lu -
lu - - jah ——— Sing, Sing Hal - le - lu -
lu - - jah, Sing Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le -
lu - - - jah, Hal - - le - lu - - jah

jah Hal - le - lu - - - - jah Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to
jah Hal - le - lu - - - - jah Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to
lu - - jah Hal - le - lu - - - - jah Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to
Ha1 - 1e - lu - - - - jah Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to

God the Lord, Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard Full - est re -

God the Lord, Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard Full - est re -

God the Lord, Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard Full - est re -

God the Lord, Loud o'er the earth let His praise be heard Full - est re -

no Ped.

Sw.

Gt.

Ped. to Sw.

demp - tion for man is won, Since He

demp - tion for man is won, Since He

demp - tion for man is won, Since He

demp - tion for man is won Since He

cresc.

sent — to the earth His Son.

cresc.

sent — to the earth — His Son.

cresc.

sent — to the earth — His Son.

cresc.

sent — to the earth His Son.

cresc.

Fear ye not, — ye earth-ly chil - dren —

ff.

Fear ye not, — ye earth-ly chil - dren —

ff.

Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to God the Lord — Hal - le - lu - jah to

ff.

Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to God the Lord — Hal - le - lu - jah to

ff.

A musical score for a choral or instrumental piece. The score consists of four staves of music, each with a different vocal or instrumental part. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The music is in common time and uses a key signature of two flats. The lyrics are repeated in a call-and-response style between the voices.

Hal - le - lu - jah Hal - le - lu - jah
 Hal - le - lu - jah Hal - le - lu - jah
 God the Lord Hal - le - lu - jah Hal - le - lu - jah
 Lord the Lord Hal - le - lu - jah Hal - le - lu - jah

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah,
 Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah,
 Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah,
 Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah,

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah,

Hallelujah. Sing Hallelujah Sing Hallelujah

Hallelujah. Sing Hallelujah

Hallelujah. Hallelujah

Hallelujah. Sing Hallelujah

Hallelujah. Sing Hallelujah

Hallelujah. Sing to God the

Sing Hallelujah Sing Hallelujah Sing Hallelujah Sing Hallelujah

Hallelujah Hallelujah Sing Hallelujah to God the

Hallelujah Sing Hallelujah Sing to God the

a tempo

Lord Halle-lu - jah Hal-le-lu - jah Hal - le - lu - - jah —

a tempo

jah Hal-le-lu - jah Hal-le-lu - jah Hal - le - lu - - jah —

a tempo

Lord Hal-le-lu - jah Hal-le-lu - jah Hal - le - lu - - jah —

a tempo

Lord Hal-le-lu - jah Hal-le-lu - jah Hal - le - lu - - jah —

a tempo *sffz*

A - - - men. ——————

a tempo

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